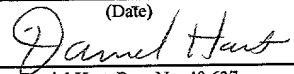


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following paragraph and heading, immediately following the title, as follows:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application claims priority to European Application Serial Number 00870057.7 filed on March 24, 2000, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The present invention is related to a method and kit comprising reagents and media for the screening, the detection and/or the quantification of transcriptional factors or compounds binding said factors by non radioactive detection means.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Description of the Related Art

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 30, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Summary of the Invention

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 32, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments

Please delete the paragraphs beginning at page 19, line 16 through the paragraph ending at page 20, line 16 and move them to page 6, line 4.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments more closely conform the application to U.S. practice. The above requested changes to the application do not add new matter, and entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

The specific changes to the specification are shown on a separate set of pages attached hereto and entitled **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**, which follows the signature page of this Amendment. On this set of pages, the insertions are underlined while the ~~deletions are struck through~~.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Specification

The following paragraph has been added, immediately after the title:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application claims priority to European Application Serial Number 00870055.1 filed on March 24, 2000, and European Application Serial Number 00870204.5 filed on September 15, 2000, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, has been amended as follows:

The present invention is related to a method and kit comprising ~~means~~ reagents and media for the screening, the detection and/or the quantification of transcriptional factors or compounds binding said factors by non radioactive detection means.

The paragraph beginning at page 2, line 3, has been amended as follows:

State of the art Description of the Related Art

The paragraph beginning at page 5, line 30, has been amended as follows:

Aims of the invention-Summary of the Invention

The paragraph beginning at page 6, line 32, has been amended as follows:

Summary of the Invention-Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments

The paragraphs beginning at page 19, line 18 through the paragraph ending at page 20, line 16, have been deleted and moved to page 6, line 4.